

Remarks

Interview Summary

The applicant thanks the examiner for the courtesy of the telephone interview that was conducted on October 25, 2005. During that interview, the undersigned explained to the examiner that patent no. 3,392,468 to Wolf does not disclose a question and answer cell. Instead, the Wolf patent discloses a container lid with a dimple for indicating the contents of a beverage container. Therefore, even assuming *arguendo* that the dimple could be interpreted as an answer cell, Wolf would not disclose a “question and answer cell”. The examiner replied that if the applicant amended the claims, he would take this argument under consideration.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102 and 103

Independent claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Wolf. The applicant has amended claim 1 to include “a question and answer cell attached to the drink implement, wherein the question and answer cell includes a question portion bearing a question to a user and an answer portion in which the user can enter a response to a question.” As set forth above, Wolf does not disclose such a question and answer cell. Therefore, the applicant respectfully submits that claim 1, and the claims dependent thereon, are allowable over Wolf.

Allowable Subject Matter

The applicant thanks the examiner for indicating that dependent claims 5, 6, and 10 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The applicant has amended claims 5 and 10 to be in independent form. Claim 6 is dependent on claim 5. Accordingly, claims 5, 6, 10, and the claims dependent thereon are in allowable form.

The applicant thanks the examiner for indicating that claims 11-24 are allowed. The applicant has added claim 25, which is dependent on claim 24 and should therefore also be allowed. Support for new claim 25 can be found on page 7 of the original specification.

Conclusion

In view of the aforesaid, the applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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